

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

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1-22. (Canceled).

23. (New) A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, which comprises means for connecting the housing to the chassis, these means being deformable by traction and capable of absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp.

24. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 23, wherein the connecting means comprise at least one lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, this lug being capable of stretching under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

25. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 24, wherein the lug comprises a perforated body extended at one end by a front part fixed to the chassis, and at the other end by a rear part fixed to the housing, the body being capable of stretching under the effect of traction exerted on at least one of said parts.

26. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 24, wherein the lug comprises, an unperforated body having a cross section and at least one contracted cross section.

27. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 26, wherein the perforations are rectangular, square, hexagonal, or diamond-shaped.

28. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 25, wherein the perforations of the body are of any polygonal shape, circular, or oval.

29. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 24, wherein the fixing lug has a corrugated central portion extended at one end by a front part fixed to the chassis, and at the other end by a front part fixed to the housing, the central portion being capable of stretching under the effect of traction exerted on at least one of said parts.

30. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 28, wherein the connecting means comprise a lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, this lug having a U-shaped profile and comprising two approximately parallel branches, one fixed to the housing and one to the chassis, linked by a curved portion, the lug being deformable by the displacement of the curved portion under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

31. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 30, wherein the fixing lug has a corrugated central portion extended at one end by a front part fixed to the housing, and at the other end by a rear part fixed to the chassis, the central portion being compressible under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

32. (New) A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising:

a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, which comprises means for connecting the housing to the chassis, these means being deformable by bending and capable of absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp,

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wherein the connecting means comprise a lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, this lug being compressible under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

33. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 32, wherein the connecting means comprise a spacer interposed between the housing and the chassis.

34. (New) A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, which comprises means for connecting the housing to the chassis, these means being deformable by bending and capable of absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp, wherein the connecting means comprise a spacer interposed between the housing and the chassis.

35. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 34, wherein the spacer is made from a compressible material.

36. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 34, wherein the spacer is made from a foam.

37. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 34, wherein the spacer comprises a cylindrical barrel having a first end pressed against the chassis and its opposite end extended in the form of a curved head by means of which the spacer presses against the housing.

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38. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 34, wherein the spacer is a functional component of the vehicle.

39. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 34, wherein the spacer is an air filter.

40. (New) The headlamp as claimed in claim 34, wherein the spacer is a windscreen washer reservoir.

41. (New) A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, at least one lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, said at least one lug comprises a perforated body having a cross section and at least one contracted cross section thereof and being capable of stretching by traction under the effect of an impact on the headlamp for absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp.

42. (New) A support for fixing a headlamp housing of a motor vehicle to the chassis of the motor vehicle comprising:

at least one lug having a body with a cross section, said body including at least one contracted cross section, said body being capable of stretching by traction under the effect of an impact on the headlamp for absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp.

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